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Mayor Maddox Request Retraction from the *Tuscaloosa News*

This morning, the Tuscaloosa News incorrectly stated that Mayor Walter Maddox's travel budget "had already spent more than twice the amount they spent on travel in 2004 and 2005 combined." This is simply not true as described below in the information provided to the Tuscaloosa News:

Fiscal Year	Mayor and Clerk	
	Budget	Actual
2006	10,950	4,575
2005	12,040	2,601
2004	12,850	4,098
2003	10,800	3,696
2002	9,800	6,138
2001	14,000	1,260
2000	16,100	3,972

The Mayor's travel budget is combined with City Clerk. The budget figures above show that the Mayor/Clerk travel budget and expenses are nearly identical to previous years. Again, to state that Mayor's travel budget spent twice as much 2004 and 2005 is absolutely incorrect.

The Mayor has made a formal request to the Tuscaloosa News for an immediate correction to the website and a correction printed in tomorrow's edition.